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INSTRUCTIONS TO STUDENT

1. This question paper consists of **10 printed pages with 3 sections** only.
2. Answer **ALL** questions in **Sections A, B** and **C**. Answer only **ONE** question from **Section C Question II**.
3. Shade your answers for number **1-55** in the **OMR** sheet.
4. Write your answers for **Section B Question III** and **Section C** in the Answer Booklet.

SECTION A: GRAMMAR AND STRUCTURE [35 MARKS]

Question I

Instructions: Answer **ALL** questions in this section. Shade your answers on the **OMR** sheet.

1. Amanda loves to eat seafood. Last night she _____ three plates of fried prawn and squid.
   A. ate
   B. eat
   C. eats
   D. eaten

2. My sister is going to the shop. She plans to buy _____.
   A. two bottle of milk
   B. two bottle of milks
   C. two bottles of milk
   D. two bottles of milks

3. John _____ the floor and we _____ our teacher to carry the books to the library.
   A. sweep ; help
   B. sweep ; helps
   C. sweeps ; help
   D. sweeps ; helps

4. Two days ago, Emily _____ an article about the importance of studying English.
   A. read
   B. reads
   C. reading
   D. is reading

5. I saw _____ cat under the table. _____ cat is sleeping.
   A. a ; A
   B. a ; An
   C. a ; The
   D. an ; The

6. Marion has many nice and expensive clothes. _____ clothes were bought from Milan and Paris.
   A. Her
   B. Hers
   C. Them
   D. Their

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7. Everyday Mary _____ to my house to study English.
   A. came
   B. come
   C. comes
   D. is coming

8. Yesterday while the boys _____ the floor, the postman came.
   A. is sweeping
   B. are sweeping
   C. was sweeping
   D. were sweeping

9. Henry! You had better hurry up. There is not _____ time left.
   A. some
   B. many
   C. much
   D. a few

10. You and I live in this house. The house is _____.
    A. us
    B. our
    C. ours
    D. their

11. My sister and _____ like to take part in drawing and dancing competitions.
    A. I
    B. me
    C. my
    D. mine

12. Reza _____ not joining us. He _____ on his own.
    A. do ; studying
    B. does ; studies
    C. is ; is studying
    D. are ; is studying

13. Reza _____ to Milan next month. His wife will see him at the airport.
    A. is going to travel
    B. are going to travel
    C. was going to travel
    D. were going to travel

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14. I usually light a _____ in the living room.
    A. few candle
    B. few candles
    C. little candle
    D. little candles

15. Today is _____ mother's birthday. My brother and I bring a cake and walk into the bedroom to surprise _____.
    A. me ; she
    B. my ; her
    C. mine ; hers
    D. mine ; her

16. Kumar and Robert _____ a lot of toys. They _____ with their toys in the living room.
    A. has ; play
    B. has ; plays
    C. have ; play
    D. have ; plays

17. _____ Jack have enough money for the trip?
    A. Is
    B. Do
    C. Has
    D. Does

18. Sarah is adding _____ salt to her soup.
    A. any
    B. a few
    C. many
    D. a little

19. Mr. Howard has four _____. He cannot carry all of them. He needs some _____.
    A. suitcase; help
    B. suitcases ; help
    C. suitcase ; helps
    D. suitcases ; helps

20. At the moment, my mother _____ in the kitchen and my brothers _____ her to set up the table.
    A. is cooking ; is helping
    B. are cooking ; is helping
    C. is cooking ; are helping
    D. are cooking ; are helping

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21. My brother is going to use a _____ cover to shield his bicycle from rain.
    A. red big plastic
    B. big plastic red
    C. big red plastic
    D. plastic red big

22. Mrs. Kris is my neighbour. I chat with _____ every day.
    A. he
    B. her
    C. she
    D. hers

23. The students will arrive _____ Saturday and will stay here _____ five days.
    A. at ; in
    B. by ; on
    C. on ; for
    D. in ; since

24. Our English teacher, Mr. Veera _____ us to the museum next month.
    A. take
    B. takes
    C. taking
    D. will take

25. Mary lives _____ the city, but her sisters and parents live _____ the village.
    A. at ; at
    B. in ; in
    C. on ; on
    D. from ; from

Question II

Instructions: Answer **ALL** questions. Shade your answers on the **OMR** sheet.

Amy is an animal lover. Last month her cat died. Amy wanted to adopt another cat so she ___(26)___ at The Humane Society near her home in Putrajaya. At The Humane Society, Amy was attracted to a ___(27)___ named Pudding. She learned that the laid-back cat had been in and out of the shelter since 2003. She made the decision to adopt Pudding.

Amy said Pudding wasted no time fitting into its new home when ___(28)___ arrived. However just hours later, Amy's happy day ___(29)___ a turn for the worse. Soon after going to bed, Amy ___(30)___.to have an asthma attack in her sleep.

That was when Pudding sprang into action. The fast-acting feline sat on Amy's chest in an attempt to wake her up. When that didn't work, it nudged and nipped her face until she briefly returned to consciousness.

In that moment, Amy was able to call out to her roommate Susan, but she could not

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hear her calls. Luckily, Pudding darted into ___(31)___ room. It pounced ___(32)___the bed until she woke up and was able to call for help.

Amy ___(33)___she would not have made it through the night without Pudding. At the moment, Amy ___(34)___Pudding as a therapy animal. Pudding has learned to sit by Amy's feet and meow when it ___(35)___that her blood sugar is low.

Adapted from http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2012/02/22/cat-saves-womans-life-hours-adopted_n_1293820.html

26. A. stop
B. stops
C. stopped
D. stopping

27. A. cat white cute
B. white cute cat
C. cute white cat
D. cute cat white

28. A. it
B. its
C. him
D. hers

29. A. take
B. takes
C. took
D. taking

30. A. start
B. starts
C. started
D. starting

31. A. Susan
B. Susans
C. Susan's
D. Susans'

32. A. in
B. at
C. on
D. for

33. A. believe
B. believes
C. believed
D. believing

34. A. is registering
B. are registering
C. was registering
D. were registering

35. A. sense
B. senses
C. sensed
D. sensing

SECTION B: READING COMPREHENSION AND VOCABULARY [25 MARKS]

Instructions: Read the passage carefully and answer **ALL** the questions from **36-60**.

Banana

One of the great things about bananas is that it is not only delicious or tasty but it is also cheap and available throughout the year. Bananas are very **portable** too. You can take a banana with you everywhere such as on your way to work or school. You can also use ripe mashed bananas as oil or butter when you are baking. Mashed bananas lend a moist, sweet flavor to muffins, cookies and cakes. Other than that, you can **peel** or strip away the banana's skin and freeze the banana for a great supplement to any smoothie. You can enjoy a sweet **beverage** by adding bananas into your drinks.

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The ripening process of bananas does not slow down after they are picked. If you want the bananas to ripe faster, you should store bananas in a paper bag at room temperature. The warmer the temperature, the quicker bananas will ripen. However, to slow ripening, bananas should be refrigerated as only the outer peel of the banana will darken but the banana itself will stay intact longer.

Bananas are good for your body because they are a good source of vitamins and minerals, as well as fiber. Each banana holds about 3 grams of fiber, which is 12 percent of your daily requirement. Dietary fiber helps to move waste through the bowels and prevent constipation. Bananas are naturally free of fat, cholesterol and sodium too.

Bananas benefit sportsmen and sportswomen. This is because bananas contain potassium. Potassium is required for healthy functioning of your nervous system and muscles. If you are **deficient** or lacking in ***it***, your muscles can get tired and weak, and you may experience painful **cramps**. That is why many **athletes** choose or **opt** for bananas to prevent cramping during training and events.

Bananas also contain vitamin C, which is an antioxidant. Antioxidants can protect your body from damage caused by digestion and exposure to tobacco smoke and radiation. This damage, called oxidation, builds up over time and can play a role in many **chronic** diseases, such as cancer. Vitamin C is also **vital** for all tissue growth and important to maintain healthy teeth and bones.

Bananas are also easy to **digest**. For this reason, bananas are often used as an introduction to solid foods for babies. Besides that, when you are sick with a virus, bananas can be a pleasing way to get some important nutrients into your system without upsetting your stomach. Bananas are such an amazing fruit so remember to include bananas in your grocery list in the future.

Adapted from http://www.livestrong.com/article/540232-the-effects-of-eating-bananas/

Question I

For questions 36-40, identify the **BEST** answer.

36. If you want the bananas to ripe quicker, _____.
    A. you should peel and freeze the bananas
    B. you should store the bananas in a refrigerator
    C. you should peel and keep the bananas in a paper bag
    D. you should keep the bananas in a paper bag at room temperature

37. When you want to _____, you keep the bananas in the refrigerator.
    A. quicken the ripening process
    B. slow down the ripening process
    C. darken the outer peel of bananas
    D. make bananas as oil or butter for baking

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38. The following are the benefits of bananas to human body **EXCEPT** _____.
    A. bananas hold potassium
    B. bananas contain minerals
    C. bananas have zero fiber content
    D. bananas are a good source of vitamins

39. The word "**it**" (line 20) refers to _____.
    A. fiber
    B. potassium
    C. vitamin C
    D. antioxidant

40. The following are the advantages of Vitamin C EXCEPT _____.
    A. Vitamin C promotes cancer.
    B. Vitamin C is an antioxidant.
    C. Vitamin C promotes development of tissue.
    D. Vitamin C keeps your teeth and bones healthy.

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Question II

For questions 41-50, answer **ALL** questions. Shade your answer on the **OMR** sheet. Shade (A) if the statement is TRUE and (B) if the statement if FALSE.

41. Bananas are seasonal fruit.
    A. True B. False

42. Instead of using oil or butter, you can use mashed bananas when you are baking.
    A. True B. False

43. Bananas will ripen faster when the temperature drops.
    A. True B. False

44. Dietary fiber encourages constipation.
    A. True B. False

45. Bananas contain fat, cholesterol and sodium.
    A. True B. False

46. Potassium is needed so that your nervous system and muscles can function well.
    A. True B. False

47. Athletes eat bananas to prevent cramping during training.
    A. True B. False

48. After some time, oxidation can contribute to many chronic diseases.
    A. True B. False

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49. To maintain unhealthy teeth and bones, you need to take Vitamin C.
A. True B. False

50. Babies can eat bananas because they are easy to digest.
A. True B. False

(10 marks)

Question III

For questions 51-60, match the ten words taken from the passage in Column A with the correct meanings in context in Column B, as shown in the example. Write your answers in the Answer Booklet.

Example: 0. delicious (line: 1) – A. tasty

A	B
WORDS	MEANING
51. portable (line: 2)	B. upsetting
52. peel (line: 6)	C. crucial
53. beverage (line: 7)	D. lacking
54. deficient (line: 21)	E. go for
55. cramps (line:22)	F. process
56. athletes (line: 22)	G. serious
57. opt (line: 22)	H. convenient
58. chronic (line: 27)	I. required
59. vital (line: 27)	J. sportsperson
60. digest (line: 29)	K. strip
	L. spasms
	M. drink

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SECTION C: WRITING [40 MARKS]

Question 1

Instructions: Construct **5 simple sentences** and **5 compound sentences** to describe the picture below. Each sentence should consist of at least 5 words.

Adapted from http://www.pearsonlongman.com/ae/truecolors /TC_1_5test.pdf

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Question II

Instructions: Choose **ONE** of the topics below and write a paragraph of 80-100 words.

1. Describe your favourite season of the year.
2. Think about your favourite animal and describe that animal.
3. Describe your dream bedroom.

(25 marks)

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